

COMMON COUNCIL  
of the  
CITY OF SYRACUSE

(09/14)

REGULAR MEETING – SEPTEMBER 14, 2020  
1:00 P.M.

1. *Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag – (Suspended during Webex meetings)*
2. *Invocation - (A Moment of Silent Reflection was led by the Hon. Helen Hudson, President of the Syracuse Common Council)*
3. *Roll Call - (All Present – 9)*
4. *Minutes – August 24, 2020 – (Adopted 9-0)*
5. *Public Hearing – Relative to Agenda Item #10 “Abandon – The 1000 Block of South Clinton Street and the 100 Block of Cortland Avenue. No one spoke in favor and one (1) person spoke in opposition to the proposal. JMA Tech Properties, petitioner. (Public Hearing to be held on Monday, September 28, 2020 at 1:00P.M.)”*
6. *Petitions – (none)*
7. *Committee Reports – (none)*
8. *Communications - From Kate Auwaerter on behalf of the Syracuse Landmark Preservation Board, the updated “City of Syracuse Historic Properties List; From Frank Mento, Commissioner of the Onondaga County Department of Water Environment Protection, a letter accepting the terms and conditions of Ord No. 333 (07/13/2020); From Adam L. Wekstein of Hocherman Tortorella & Wekstein, LLP, a letter commenting on the proposed amendments to Sections 27-131 and 27-147 of Article 9 of Chapter 27 of the Revised General Ordinances of the City of Syracuse.*

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*NEW BUSINESS*  
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BY PRESIDENT HUDSON:

9. *Resolution - Approving the Appointment of Various Persons as Commissioners of Deeds for 2020.*

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BY COUNCILOR BEY:

- H** 10. Abandon – The 1000 Block of South Clinton Street and the 100 Block of Cortland Avenue. No one spoke in favor and one (1) person spoke in opposition to the proposal. **H**  
JMA Tech Properties, petitioner. (Public Hearing to be held on Monday, September 28, 2020 at 1:00P.M.)
- 9-0** 11. Special Permit - To approve a Restaurant within a Convenience Store on property located at 1701 East Fayette Street. No one spoke in favor or in opposition to the proposal. There were two (2) waivers in regards to signage and off-street parking requirements. Carmen D. Rumaldo, applicant. Mohamed Alhoshishi, owner. **Gen. #31**

BY COUNCILOR RUDD:

- 9-0** 12. Agreement – With Spectrum, on behalf of the Office of Information Technology, for modification to the City’s internet services, for the operation of the NYPA Smart City project’s LORAWAN remote sensor network. Upgrades will be made to internet service at four fire stations, as detailed in Appendix A. Total cost not to exceed \$200 in upfront costs, and at current Spectrum rates will not exceed \$85 monthly (\$1,020 per year), (charged to Fund 01, Department 90000, I.T. Account #595860). **407**
- 9-0** 13. Approve – Settlement – Amica a/s/o/ Hale, Clayton v. City of Syracuse. Settlement amount of \$6,275.60, from Account #599304.01.93000, relative to a vehicle accident. **408**
- 9-0** 14. Approve – Settlement – National General Insurance Company a/s/o/ Kelly Ristoff v. City of Syracuse, Claim #2019-86. Settlement amount of \$7,331.38 to Plaintiff’s counsel, Thomas George Associates, LTD, from Account #599302.01.93000, relative to a vehicle accident on September 24, 2019. **409**
- 5-4** 15. Purchase w/c/b – Agreement with Capital Collection Management (CCM), on behalf of the Department of Finance, Bureau of Treasury, for a pilot program to collect revenue from unpaid parking tickets and defaulted parking ticket payment plans for the period of 120 days and can terminate at any time. In exchange for their service CCM will keep a percentage of the generated revenue based on the amount of the past due debt, as detailed in the ordinance. **410**  
Bey,  
Greene,  
Hogan,  
Allen
- 9-0** 16. Purchase w/c/b – From AppealTeach, the service of printing certain appellate court submissions for various legal actions on behalf of the Law Department, for the period of July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021. Total cost not to exceed \$27,000 to be charged to Account #540310.01.14200. **411**
- 9-0** 17. Purchase w/c/b – From Salt City Abstract Corporation and Independent Title Agency LLC for title search services, for the period of July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021, for Law \$50,000, Engineering Projects \$4,000 and Code Enforcement \$2,500. Total cost not to exceed \$56,500 to be charged to Accounts #541500.01.14200, #599807.07.80405 and #4306-0-046. **412**

- 9-0** 18. Purchase w/c/b - From Aaron Nuzzo (\$9,500) Albany Investigators (\$4,500) and Metro Attorneys (\$10,300) process server's services, on behalf of the Law Department, for various legal actions for the period of July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021. Total cost not to exceed \$24,300 to be charged to Account #540552.01.14200. **413**

BY COUNCILOR GREENE & COUNCILOR ALLEN:

- 9-0** 19. Amend - The Revised General Ordinances of the City of Syracuse, Chapter 27; Article 9, entitled "Rental Registry", amend Section 27-131 and add a new Section 27-147, as detailed in the Ordinance. **Gen. #32**

BY COUNCILOR GREENE:

- H** 20. Amend – Ord. #508 (08/19/2019), "Agreement - With LAZ Parking NY NJ LLC, for professional services to manage the Fayette Street Parking Garage (\$259,012) and MONY/AXA Parking Garage (\$392,544), on behalf of the Department of Public Works for the period of one (1) year commencing from date of execution." Amend to extend the contract date for four (4) months to expire December 31, 2020. Total cost not to exceed \$185,000 to be charged to Account #540551.01.81800. All other terms and conditions remain the same. The Mayor has waived the RFP process. **H**
- 9-0** 21. Amend – Ord. #55 (02/25/2019), "Agreement - With Barton & Loguidice, D.P.C. for the Dig Once City Infrastructure Butternut Street Project, for consultant engineering services. The City will incur all initial costs with subsequent 100% reimbursement from NYS Dormitory Authority Through the State and Municipal Facilities Program (SAM). Total cost not to exceed \$319,000 charged to a Capital Account determined by the Commissioner of Finance." Amend to add Construction Inspection Services (\$286,000) & Additional Design Costs (\$10,988). Total cost not to exceed \$615,988 **414**
- 9-0** 22. Authorize – Consultant Agreement with Barton & Loguidice, D.P.C. for the Preliminary & Detailed Design Phase, for the Creekwalk Improvement TAP 2018 Project, PIN 3950.74, in an amount not to exceed \$193,000 from Account #701231002.80405.07. To be paid on a time and expense basis for all services required with subsequent 80% reimbursement from the Federal Government and 20% local funding previously authorized by Ord. #454-2019. **415**
- 9-0** 23. Purchase w/c/b - Repair of pumps and/or motors in booster pumping stations, for the period of July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021, on behalf of the Department of Water. Total cost not to exceed \$25,000 to be charged to Account #540720.05.83400 or #540500.05.83400. **416**

BY COUNCILOR PANIAGUA:

- 9-0** 24. Authorize - The Commissioner of Finance to issue Revenue Anticipation Notes (RAN's) in an amount not to exceed \$96,000,000, on behalf of the Syracuse City School District to provide cash flow funding for the fiscal year 2020/2021. **417**

BY COUNCILOR CARNI:

25. *Appropriate Funds - From the 2020-2021 Cash Capital Account #599807.01.99999 in an amount not to exceed \$150,000, on behalf of the Department of Parks, Recreation and Youth Programs, for the 2020-2021 Tree Planting Program.* **418**  
**9-0**
26. *Appropriate Funds - From 2020/2021 Cash Capital Account # 599807.01.99999 in an amount not to exceed \$30,000, on behalf of the Department of Parks, Recreation and Youth Programs, for the 2020/2021 Urban Forestry Restoration Program.* **419**  
**9-0**
27. *Appropriate Funds - From the 2020-2021 Cash Capital Account #599807.01.99999 in an amount not to exceed \$65,000, on behalf of the Department of Parks, Recreation and Youth Programs, for the 2020-2021 Tree Pit Improvement Program.* **420**  
**9-0**
28. *Appropriate Funds - From the 2020-2021 Cash Capital Account #599807.01.99999 in an amount not to exceed \$125,000, on behalf of the Department of Parks, Recreation and Youth Programs, for the 2020-2021 Parks Landscape Restoration Program.* **421**  
**9-0**
29. *Authorize – An Intermunicipal agreement with Onondaga County, on behalf of the Department of Parks Recreation & Youth Programs. The County will reimburse for all payment made in association with the City’s adopted Tick and Deer Management Program. The amount expended for the 2019/2020 program was \$48,995.* **422**  
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30. *Contact – With Applied Ecological Services, for design and project management services for the restoration of the riparian buffer along Onondaga Creekwalk Phase 2, on behalf of the Department of Parks Recreation & Youth Programs, for the period of October 1, 2020-December 31, 2021. Total cost not to exceed \$32,000, funded through a cooperative agreement with the US Fish & Wildlife Service (Ord. #415-2019), charged to Project #224 150 120 and Account #599802.* **423**  
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BY COUNCILOR MAJOK:

31. *Agreement – With Bousquet Holstein PLLC, to provide legal services, on behalf of the Citizen Review Board (CRB), for the period of July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021. Total cost not to exceed \$11,000, from Account #541500.01.10500. The Mayor waived the RFP process.* **424**  
**9-0**
32. *Agreement – With Freeland Investigations Services LLC, to provide investigative services, on behalf of the Citizen Review Board (CRB), for the period of July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021. Total cost not to exceed \$5,000, from Account #541500.01.10500. The Mayor waived the RFP process.* **425**  
**9-0**
33. *Appropriate Funds - From 2020/2021 Unallocated Cash Capital Account #599007.01.99999 in the amount of \$60,000 for computer upgrades, on behalf of the Police Department.* **426**  
**9-0**

BY COUNCILOR ALLEN:

- 9-0** 34. Amend – Ord. #318 (06/22/2020), “Agreement – With Syracuse University, for the UNSAAC 2020-2021 Allocation, on behalf of the Department of Neighborhood & Business Development, for the period of July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021, in the amount of \$375,000. The Syracuse University Service Agreement will fund: Brady Faith Center, Cooperative Federal Credit Union, Dunbar Association, Outer Comstock Neighborhood Association (homebuyers and youth services), Southside TNT, University Neighborhood Preservation Association, and Westcott Community Center.” Amend to replace Home HeadQuarters as the fiscal agent for Southside TNT with University Neighborhood Preservation Association as the fiscal agent for Southside TNT. **427**
- 9-0** 35. Amend – Ord. #749 (12/03/2018), “Application & Agreement - To and with the Cities for Financial Empowerment (CFE) Fund, for their Financial Empowerment Center Planning Grant in the amount of \$150,000, on behalf of the Department of Neighborhood and Business Development. Funds will be used to support the creation and staffing of the Syracuse Financial Empowerment Center. The required 1:1 match will be met by pending grants from Allyn Family Foundation (\$75,000) and the United Way of Central New York (\$75,000)” Amend to accept an additional grant from (CFE), in an amount not to exceed \$100,000, to hire a new counselor. **428**
- 9-0** 36. Permission – To Joseph Dishaw, owner of the property located at 201 Oakley Drive to replace an existing 4’ chain fence with a 6’ wood fence that will encroach approximately 16’ into the Coldbrook Drive right-of-way. **429**
- 9-0** 37. Licensing Agreement – With Anthony Vono, owner of the adjacent property located at 405 Ridgewood Avenue, to allow right of entry to 1615 Caleb Avenue Rear, to undertake site improvements, including removal of overgrowth and trees. **430**
- WD** 38. Sell – All right, title and interest of the City of Syracuse in and to the premises known as 515 Seymour Street, a vacant lot, to the Greater Syracuse Property Development Corporation for the total sum of \$151. (District 2) **WD**
- 9-0** 39. Resolution - Memorializing the State Senate, and State Assembly of New York to support Assembly Bill A-10720 and Senate Bill S-8582, to establish incapacity to consent when a person is a witness to or victim of an incident under investigation. **16-R**

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Adjourned at 1:26P.M.